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SUBJ: VIETNAMESE PARTICIPANTS RECEIVING TRAINING IN PHILIPPINES

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(C) DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR MURPHY LETTER TO CONGRESSMAN ULLMAN
OF 7/14/75

(D) STATE 162189/1/2

1. PER REF(B) USAID/P HAS TWO VIETNAMESE PARTICIPANTS - MESSRS. GIAO AND KRA-JAN-TEH WHO WERE BROUGHT TO PHILIPPINES UNDER AID/VIETNAM SPONSORSHIP. WE HAVE RECEIVED LETTERS FROM GIAO AND KRA-JAN-TEH DATED JULY 30, 1975 STATING THEY DO NOT WISH TO BE REPATRIATED TO VIETNAM AND DESIRE REMAIN IN PHILIPPINES TO COMPLETE THEIR SCHOLASTIC COURSES AS U.S. ASSISTED STUDENTS IF POSSIBLE. REF(C) INDICATES AID WILL DO ALL IT CAN TO HELP FORMER VN PARTICIPANTS FIND FUNDING FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN AID TO CONTINUE STUDY TO COMPLETE DEGREES OR WILL HELP THEM ESTABLISH SELVES AS REFUGEE IMMIGRANTS.

2. REF(C) ALSO INDICATES ALL MISSIONS HAVE BEEN GIVEN GUIDELINES ON THIS POLICY AND REQUESTS US TO ASSIST CONCERNED PARTICIPANTS. USAID/P HAS NOT RECEIVED COMPLETE GUIDELINES BUT HAS ENDEAVORED TO FIND FINANCIAL SPONSORS TO HELP PARTICIPANTS COMPLETE LOCAL STUDIES. THESE EFFORTS UNSUCCESSFUL THUS FAR. WE WOULD APPRECIATE AID/W ASSISTANCE IN SOLICITING FUNDS IN U.S. TO FINANCE 30 MONTHS OF STUDY FOR TEH AND 40 MONTHS OF STUDY FOR GIAO. SCHOLARSHIP SHOULD PROVIDE EACH MINIMUM \$150 MONTHLY LIVING EXPENSES PLUS \$600 PER YEAR FOR TUITION/BOOK/LABS AND MEDICAL INSURANCE.

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3. PARTICIPANTS ADVISE THEY WILL BE OUT OF FUNDS IN NEXT FEW DAYS BECAUSE OF TERMINATION OF PROGRAM EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31. EARLY SOLUTION THEIR PROBLEMS IMPERATIVE.

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